



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 1930**  
Makoto HAGAI et al. : Docket No. 2001\_0373A  
Serial No. 09/820,311 : Group Art Unit 2665  
Filed March 29, 2001 : Examiner Clemence S. Han

DECODER, DECODING METHOD, MULTI-  
PLEXER, AND MULTIPLEXING METHOD

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: